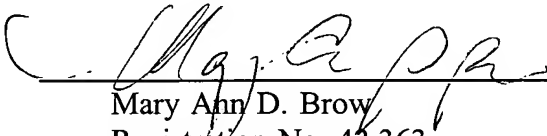


REMARKS

The specification has been amended to provide sequence identifiers. Applicants' amendments do not introduce new matter.

Applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment to provide, as a separate part of the disclosure, a "Sequence Listing" pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. In addition, Applicants submit herewith the Sequence Listing in paper copy and on floppy disk in computer-readable form. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of the present application.

Dated: August 23, 2004



Mary Ann D. Brown
Registration No. 42,363

MEDLEN & CARROLL, LLP
101 Howard Street, Suite 350
San Francisco, California 94105
608/218-6900